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I make the following FINDINGS - that the Defendant understands: 1 2 1. the right to persist in a plea of "not guilty"; 3 2. the right to a speedy and public trial; 3. the right to be tried by a jury, or the ability to waive that right and have a judge 4 5 try the case without a jury; 6 4. the right to the assistance of counsel at trial; 7 5. that, at trial, there would be the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses 8 against the Defendant; 9 6. that, at trial, there is the right to present a defense, and the right to have witnesses 10 subpoenaed to testify on the Defendant's behalf; 11 7. that, at trial, the Defendant would have the right against compelled self-12 incrimination; 13 8. the nature of the charge filed in this case; 9. 14 the maximum possible sentence that could be imposed (including imprisonment, 15 fine, term of supervised release, and mandatory special assessment), the effect of 16 a supervised release term, and that the sentencing guidelines are only advisory so 17 that the Court may sentence Defendant up to the statutory maximum; 18 10. the terms of the plea agreement; I further find that: 19 20 11. that Defendant's plea of guilty is made knowingly and voluntarily; 21 12. the Defendant is competent to enter a plea; and 22 13. there is a factual basis for Defendant's plea. 23 I therefore RECOMMEND that the District Judge accept the Defendant's plea of 24 guilty. 25 /// 26 27 28

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The sentencing hearing will be before United States District **Judge ROGER T.** BENITEZ, on 04/21/08, at 9:00AM. Objections to these Findings and Recommendation must be filed within 14 days of the date of this order. Dated: <u>01/29/08</u> BARBARA L. MAJOR United States Magistrate Judge Copies to: Hon. ROGER T. BENITEZ U.S. District Judge **CARLOS CANTU** United States Attorney **HOLLY HANOVER** Counsel for Defendant

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